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Mrs. Richard D. Sherr

Dear Mrs. Sherr:

The Vice President of the United States has asked me to furnish you with some information regarding the Central Intelligence Agency as requested in your letter to him of 24 February 1960.

Enclosed herewith is some unclassified information giving the history of the Agency, its mission, and a brief biography of its Director, Allen W. Dulles, and of the Deputy, General C. P. Cabell, USAF. I am also enclosing herewith some public addresses by the Director which may be of assistance to you in the preparation of your research paper.

In the Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C., there is, of course, in various publications data on the CIA which would be available to you should you come to Washington to do research. None of this information is issued by the CIA and therefore may or may not be accurate.

Our records show that on 24 February 1960, in response to your request by letter of 17 February addressed to Mr. Dulles some of this information was sent to you. Our records further show that also on 17 February you wrote to the U. S. Government Printing Office which referred your letter to this Agency and I believe your inquiry was taken care of by our letter of 24 February.

If we can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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SIGNED

Executive Officer

Enclosures

cc: Vice President Nixon

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where RN has
talked about CIA --

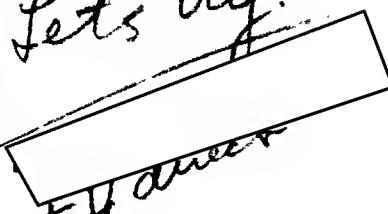
do you?

NO

if not,
Would it do any good
to send to CIA for
direct?

Let's try.

MM

CIA - 
*requesting direct
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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1960

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MEMORANDUM FOR

[redacted]
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street

We would appreciate it very much if the proper official could advise the writer direct in response to the attached letter to the Vice President; and we would also like to have a copy of whatever reply is made for our files.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

R. E. Cushman, Jr.
R. E. Cushman, Jr.

Letter of 24 Feb from Carole A. Sherr, [redacted]
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The Vice-President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Vice-President:

I have been assigned the Central Intelligence Agency as a topic for a research paper and oral report in a college American Government course. By the very nature of the secrecy surrounding the organization of this agency it is difficult to obtain sufficient data to present a thorough report, so I have decided to tackle the subject from a different angle:

1. How good is the U. S. intelligence system, particularly the CIA?
2. The estimates and conclusive reports of the U. S. intelligence system may be the point d'appui for the survival of our nation, democracy, the world, and frighteningly enough--ourselves.

I would deeply appreciate your comments on the above paragraphs of the importance of national security and defense as key election issues. Other than the strictly academic standpoint, I am also interested in your reply as a registered and active voter, a father, mother, and a potential teacher of youth whose future may be "your hands" as our next President.

As it undoubtedly will be impossible for you to give individual attention to my request, perhaps, a secretary will be asked to cite excerpts from recent speeches you have made relative to intelligence.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Carole A. Sherr

Carole A. Sherr
(Mrs.) Richard D. Sherr

Jack - thought you might have been interested in some of Allen Dulles' speeches you could send
Tks,

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Remarks:

Stan:

Will you please prepare an appropriate letter for my signature enclosing some information about the Agency, selected copies of DCI speeches and making suggestions where Mrs. Sherr might find additional information if she would indulge in a little research.

Please note that we have to send a carbon copy of our letter over to the Vice President's office. Thanks.

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